



Nuckolls County Board Minutes



JANUARY 13, 2014 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, January 13, 2014 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of January 6, 2014. Brown, Combs, and Corman present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Chairman Brown announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Brown approved the Agenda as submitted and the January 6, 2014 minutes as submitted.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to give the weekly update on the road department. Buescher noted that letters have been sent out for bids on the Tire Recycling Collection. Warren noted they are continuing work on cutting trees along the Oak Road and around county bridges this week. They are still working on the sign inventory this week. Warren updated the Board on the shop work also. The foreman is conducting county bridge inspections this week and will be updating the pictures in each file. Warren discussed the Clay/Nuckolls County line bridge project.

Warren submitted a contract for the construction of a county shop building for approval. The contract is between the County and Saathoff Construction LLC for the construction of a road department shop building in Ruskin. The amount is for \$47,000.00. The location in Ruskin is described as Lot 1, 2 & 3, Block 16, Original Town of Ruskin, Nuckolls County, Nebraska. A motion was made by Corman to approve the said contract and Combs seconded the motion. Brown voted aye, Combs voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Vicki Ensign, Treasurer submitted the Semi Annual Report to the Board.

Tim Stutzman, Emergency Manager and Noxious Weed Superintendent met with the Board to submit the County Noxious Weed Program Evaluation. Stutzman passed with a 980 out of possible 1000 points. Stutzman noted the District Rep Brandon Schaneman has resigned his position. Stutzman updated the Board on some current issues with the Emergency Management and Noxious Weed Department issues. Stutzman submitted the November and December 2013 mileage logs. **A motion was made by Corman to accept the November and December 2013 Mileage Logs as submitted and Brown seconded the motion. Brown voted aye, Combs voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.**

Dan Swartzkopf, County Insurance Broker with Krull Insurance Agency met with the Board to give a 6 month aggregate report for the county. The members of the County Insurance Committee in attendance are, Tim Schmidt, Royce Gonzales and Jim Bolte. Swartzkopf discussed new Healthcare Reform Regulations that took effective January 1, 2014. He also talked about Medicare options for those employees who are age 65 and older. Swartzkopf noted that Self-funding insurance is a great option if you have the reserve funding to support it. Nuckolls County currently has adequate funding. Swartzkopf will return on April 7, 2014 for renewal talks for the 2014/2015 plan year.

Timothy Schmidt, County Attorney met with the Board to discuss the changes he would like to see in the Agreement with Berggren Architect for the services of the floor plan design and the recommendation for the repairs to the Courthouse roof gutters. Schmidt will talk with Berggren's with his recommendations. No decision made at this time.



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Carrie Miller, Secretary for the Nuckolls County Safety Committee met with the Board to submit the Approved November 21, 2013 minutes and the un-approved December 19, 2013 minutes. Miller also submitted the schedule for 2014. She discussed the old business and new business issues. Discussion also held regarding who is responsible for the hand rails to the new handicap assessable sidewalk, bag worms on the trees and the POW flag. **A motion was made by Combs to accept the Safety Committee reports as submitted and Corman seconded the motion. Brown voted aye, Combs voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.**

Michele Bever, South Heartland District Health Department did not show for the meeting.

As there is no further business the meeting recessed at 11:34 a.m. until Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

Arnold Brown, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk